

GRANT RECIPIENT
INDIANA DUNES LEARNING
CENTER

**YEAR** 2009

**COUNTY**PORTER

CATEGORY
EDUCATION/OUTREACH

GRANT AWARD \$12,000

Local Share \$12,000



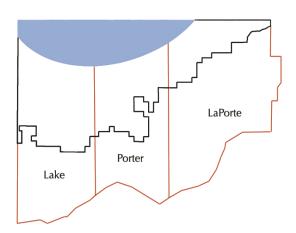
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Park Neighbor Program at Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore

Dunes Learning Center organized and hosted a series of community educational events aimed at raising the level of awareness of the National and State Parks in northwest Indiana, and the opportunities for educational experiences at Dunes Learning Center. The "What's in my Backyard" program had the following goals, engage adults and families in environmental education activities that lead to ecological literacy of their place in the Lake Michigan basin. Increase awareness of Dunes Learning Center's programs. Increase awareness of northwest Indiana parks within the northwest Indiana and Chicagoland region and finally increase the number of park volunteers and stewards and Dunes Learning Center program participants and supporters.



**RESULT:** A series of events to raise the level of awareness of state and national parks in Northwest Indiana.